

Family Preservation

Location: Home Based

Client: Family

Duration: Long Term – referrals created for the case

Payer: DCS (medically necessary services can be supplemented with Medicaid payment)

Summary:

Family Preservation is a required service for all new In-Home CHINS or Informal Assessments (as of 6/1/2020) in which the children have NOT been removed from the home during the life of the current case/IA. The goal of the service is to preserve the family and avoid removal of the child(ren), provided that it is safe for them to remain in the care of their identified caregivers. Services delivered must have a foundation of at least one evidence-based practice classified at least a Promising Practice on the California Evidence-Based Clearinghouse. Services are comprehensive and individualized to meet the specific needs of the family. The intention of this service is that families will have ONE provider working under ONE referral. Families will receive, in addition to services mentioned above, safety planning, crisis response, at LEAST one weekly face-to-face contact with the provider, and concrete assistance as needed to preserve the family home.

Additional referrals on cases in which Family Preservation is in place should be utilized only when absolutely necessary and should be a decision made by the Child and Family Team.

This Service is Related or Comparable To:

Family Preservation is most comparable to **comprehensive services**, in that one provider fulfills all service needs for the family. The difference is that this service is intended specifically for In-Home CHINS and IAs, and should be put in place in the beginning of DCS involvement.